



PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 06478.1495-00

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
Peter Hermentin et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1641  
Application No.: 10/682,199 ) Examiner: David J. Venci  
Filed: October 10, 2003 )  
For: METHOD FOR DETERMINING ) Confirmation No.: 1253  
MULTIMERS OF PLASMA )  
PROTEINS )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

Applicants now reply to the Office Action mailed May 22, 2006. The period for response is extended to September 22, 2006, by the enclosed Petition for One-Month Extension of Time and fee payment.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** follow the amendment sections of this paper.

**Attachments** to this amendment include a petition for a **One-Month Extension of Time**.